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SUBJ: AMB EBERLE'S TRADE CONSULTATIONS IN LA

REF BOGOTA 4051

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH GOC OFFICIALS, EMB HAS ENCOUNTERED UN-ANIMOUSLY FAVORABLE REACTION TO EBERLE VISIT AS PART OF NEW DIALOG BETWEEN US AND LA. GOC APPARENTLY PLEASED WITH OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO OBTAIN MORE DETAILS ON US POLICIES AND PROCESSES BUT ALSO TO EXPRESS ITS CONCERN OVER THESE POLICIES IN SEVERAL SPECIFIC AREAS. EMB BELIEVES THAT VISIT WAS QUITE USEFUL IN THAT GOC GENERALLY PLEASED WITH NEW APPROACH. HOWEVER, BASIC ATTITUDE HERE IS TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT CONCRETE RESULTS OF COLOMBIA INTEREST ARE FINALLY ACHIEVED.

2. COLOMBIAN INTEREST IN MTN HAS BEEN SHARPENED BY VISIT. THEIR ASPIRATIONS AND EXPECTATIONS MAY HAVE ALSO INCREASED. WHILE GOC OFFICIALS ACKNOWLEDGE SOME CONGRUENCY OF US/LA INTERESTS IN MTN, THEY EMPHASIZE THAT LATINS MUST MAKE DETERMINED PUSH TO
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OBTAIN REORIENTATION OF RULES OF GAME AND THAT SUPPORT FOR US

POSITIONS WILL GENERALLY ONLY BE GIVEN ON A "QUID PRO QUO" BASIS.

3. ON SPECIFIC ISSUES, GOC GREATLY APPRECIATED AMB EBERLE'S IMMEDIATE RECOMMENDATION ON STEEL SCRAP AND RAPIDLY SUPPLIED DATA REQUESTED (BOGOTA 4051). WHILE MEETING CONTRIBUTED TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY PROCEEDINGS ON CUT FLOWERS, CRITICISM OF US ACTION HAS NOT BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY MODERATED. AT ANNUAL CIPE MEETING OF EXPORT PROMOTION DIRECTORS, DEVELOPMENT MINISTER SONO ZAMBRANO VIGOROUSLY ATTACKED PROCEEDINGS AS A "PLOT BY US CONGRESS AGAINST COLOMBIAN EXPORTS." EMB UNDERSTANDS THAT PRIORITY LIST OF GSP HAS ALREADY BEEN SUPPLIED TO DEPT THROUGH COLOMBIAN EMB IN WASHINGTON. VAKY

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